MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*): May I know from the member whether there is any special reason for not appointing a second Muhammedan as Sub-Registrar during these long years?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: You must modify your question, "long years" is a term which has no precise meaning.

MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*): May I know from the member whether there is any special reason for not appointing a second Muhammedan after the appointment of this Muhammedan in the year 1087?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It was probably due to want of qualified Muhammedans for appointment as Sub-Registrars.

MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*): In answer to question No. 19, I received an answer that there are qualified hands in the department.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) He has been given a rank, and according to that rank, his turn has not yet come.

Kottayam District Munsiff's Court.

21. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have given up the proposal to locate the Kottayam District and Additional District Munsiffs' courts also in the premises of the Kottayam District court; and

(*b*) if not, how far have the arrangements for the same progressed?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) The estimate and plan for the buildings are under preparation.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade II*): Will the member be pleased to say how long it will take to have the plan prepared and how long it will take to have the work begun?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): The plans and estimates are under preparation by the Division Officer, Kottayam, and they have not yet been received by the Chief Engineer. The work will be taken up when funds are available.

MR. M. N. NAIR (*Kottayam I*): May I know whether Government have received protests from the people of Kottayam against the transfer of the Courts from the present building?

MR. L. H. JACOB (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): I have no information on that.

Trade Agents in India.

22. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many Trade Agents are to be appointed in India from Travancore; and

(*b*) the centres where the Trade Agents are to be appointed from Travancore.

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